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In re Application of Bjarke de Jager Gotfredsen )  
Application No. 09/674,714 )  
Filed: December 19, 2000 )  
For: Mouse Pad Comprising a Card )  
Read/Write Device )

Group Art Unit: 2876

Examiner: Jamara A. Franklin

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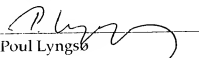
**Corroborating Declaration of Poul Lyngsø**

I, Poul Lyngsø, hereby submit this declaration. All statements herein made of my own knowledge are true, and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

1. From approximately 1987 to 1997 I was a business partner of Bjarke de Jaeger Gotfredsen as joint majority stockholders in various corporations. The purpose of our business ventures was to provide computer related consulting services.
2. In August, 1997, in Hørsholm, Denmark, Mr. Gotfredsen showed to me a working prototype of a smart card read/write device embedded within a mouse pad that he had created. I understand that this product was created as part of the second generation of working prototypes made by Mr. Gotfredsen. Mr. Gotfredsen showed me the product in operation, reading a smart card.
3. As Mr. Gotfredsen's business partner, I owed a duty of confidentiality to him, and maintained this invention in confidence until after a patent application was filed.

Executed this 27 day of September, 2002 at RANDOLPH WYST, DK

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. I understand that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

  
Poul Lyngsø